



USDA, AMS, Poultry Market News and Analysis

Weekly Egg Products Report

December 22, 2006

The "SOURCE" of Poultry and Egg Market Information

COMBINED REGIONAL REPORT - Combined regional for week ending **22-Dec-06** average prices on Sales to volume buyers, Grade A large, white eggs in cartons, delivered warehouse, cents per dozen.

	Northeast	Southeast	Midwest	South Central	Combined Regional
This week	96.00	94.50	89.50	95.50	93.92
Last week	96.00	94.50	89.50	98.50	94.80

SELECTED CITIES DELIVERED STORE DOOR LARGE - 22-Dec-06:

New York 81-85 **Midwest** 92-100 **California** 131

WEEKLY SHELL EGG AND BREAKING STOCK INVENTORY - 18-Dec-06 - (30 DOZEN CASES - IN THOUSANDS)

	Northeast	North Central	South Central	South Atlantic	Pacific	5-Area	Breaking Stock	Total
Current week	93.8	365.3	169.6	219.3	266.2	1084.2	218.0	1302.2
% change PW	-15	-10	-9	-6	3	-7	-11	-8

Breaking Stock 22-Dec-06 - prices paid cents/dozen, material exchanged, 30-dozen case equivalent, 48 lb minimum, delivered to breakers.

	Central States	Eastern Region
Nest Run	33-38 M 36-38	33-38 M 34-36
Checks & Undergrades	23-30 M 25-27	20-28 M 21-25

Eggs Processed under federal inspection week ending **16-Dec-06**. Lbs. in Thousands (excludes ingredients)

	Cases Broken	Liquid Whole	Liquid White	Liquid Yolk	Dried	Inedible
Current Week	1,262,206	32,716	10,937	5,676	2,439	4,576
Previous Week	1,274,340	33,325	10,691	5,605	2,283	4,186
Last Year	1,239,764	31,901	10,257	5,389	2,345	4,257
% Change PWK	-1%	-2%	2%	1%	7%	9%
% Change LY	2%	3%	7%	5%	4%	8%
To-Date 2006	64,480,486	1,603,153	591,295	312,783	135,124	217,145
To-Date 2005	65,423,722	1,561,420	626,856	336,081	143,085	221,091
% Change YTD	-1%	3%	-6%	-7%	-6%	-2%

AVERAGE YIELD PER CASE (INEDIBLE INCLUDED)

Current Week: 42.71 **Previous Week:** 42.22 **Last Year:** 41.78

AVERAGE YIELD PER CASE (INEDIBLE EXCLUDED)

Current Week: 39.08 **Previous Week:** 38.94 **Last Year:** 38.35

In-Line Production (of total production; lbs. in thousands; may include a limited amount of off-line source material)

	CASES BROKEN		LIQUID WHOLE	
	Cases	% of Total	Lbs.	% of Total
CURRENT WEEK	585,720	46.4%	17,094	52.3%
PREVIOUS WEEK	615,480	48.3%	17,959	53.9%
LAST YEAR	512,157	41.3%	15,696	49.2%

National Liquid Eggs - 22-Dec-06 - prices paid cents/lb, f.o.b. plant, non-pasteurized trucklots, for delivery within 14 days.

Class	Loads	Range	Wtd. Avg.	Change From Last Week
WHOLE	40	23.5-28.5	24.39	-3.11
WHITES	13	28-33	31.00	-.12
YOLKS	7	40-41	40.57	.52

Pasteurized whites and salted yolk were too few to report.

Frozen Egg Prices - 22-Dec-06 wholesale selling price cents/lb, 30-lb containers.

Class	Trucklot Eastern	Central	Less-than-Trucklot Eastern	(min 25 cont.) South California ²
Whole	46-52 M 48-51	48-51	53-58	52-56
Blends ³	TOO FEW TO REPORT			-
Whites	44-52 M 48-50	47-52 M 49-51	51-58	51-54
Yolks ⁴				
Sugared	52-58 M 55-57	55-58 M 56-58	60-70	60-63
Salted	51-54 M 51-53	51-54 M 51-53	56-65	57-60

² f.o.b. shipping point

³ whole plus yolk plus sweetener, generally 28-32% egg solids

⁴ minimum 43% solids

National Dried Egg Prices - 22-Dec-06 - wholesale selling prices \$/lb, in containers, trucklot and less-than-trucklot volumes.

Class	Range	Mostly
WHOLE	1.55-1.85	1.65-1.80
YOLKS	1.25-1.43	1.25-1.35
ALBUMEN, SPRAY, DRIED	3.23-3.70	3.45-3.55
BLENDS (WHOLE PLUS SWEETENER)	1.35-1.45	

Number of Light Hens Sltrd. in Federally Inspected Plants (Thousands) Weekending 16-Dec-2006

Fowl Slaughtered in U.S.	U.S. Fowl Slaughtered in Canada	Total U.S. Fowl Slaughtered
This week 1,111	This week 156	This week 1,267
Last week 1,157	Last week 231	Last week 1,388
Last year 1,404	Last year 142	Last year 1,546
To Date 2006 53,519	To Date 2006 7,689	To Date 2006 61,208
To Date 2005 71,036	To Date 2005 12,340	To Date 2005 83,376

U.S. Exports To Canada, in Thousand Pounds (Preliminary) week ending - 09-Dec-06

	Liquid	Frozen	Dried	Total
Current week	350	0	0	350
Last year /1	309	0	0	309
To date 2006/2	11,736	172	737	12,645
To date 2005	17,197	59	847	18,103

U.S. Imports From Canada, in Thousand Pounds (Preliminary) week ending - 09-Dec-06

	Liquid	Frozen	Dried	Total
Current week	195	0	0	195
Last year /1	81	0	0	81
To date 2006/2	5,368	914	66	6,348
To date 2005	6,480	668	371	7,519

Inspected Shell Eggs

U.S. Exports To Canada, in 30-Dozen Cases (Preliminary) week ending - 09-Dec-06

	Jumbo	EX-Lg	Large	Medium	Ungraded	Misc	Total
Current week	0	2,370	5,550	1,440	8,040	0	17,400
Last year /1	0	1,190	6,110	1,252	3,750	0	12,302
To date 2006/2	150	87,681	170,365	85,336	248,238	6,975	598,745
To date 2005	184	191,964	342,100	111,975	232,624	9,753	888,600

/1 Comparable week, to-date figures may not total due to rounding.

/2 Includes revisions to previous week(s).

National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) - Cold Storage - stocks in all warehouses on 30-Nov-06
Frozen Eggs (Thousand pounds)

	Whites	Yolks	Whole & Mixed	Unclassified	Total
Current Month	2,559	1,507	6,449	6,530	17,095
Previous Month	2,477	1,195	8,983	3,607	16,262
Last year	2,833	1,310	10,325	3,133	17,601
% of Previous Month	103	126	72	181	105
% of Last Year	90	115	63	208	97

WHOLE EGGS, INVITATION NO. 13, ANNOUNCEMENT PY-308 Date Issued: December 21, 2006

The U.S. Department of Agriculture invites offers to sell whole eggs as indicated below and per the Announcement for use in school lunch and other domestic food nutrition assistance programs. Offers are due by 12 noon, Central Time, Tuesday, Jan. 2 (due to the holiday on Monday for Federal employees). Acceptances will be announced by midnight, Friday, Jan. 5. Deliveries are to be made from Feb. 16 to Feb. 28, 2007.

All offers must be submitted electronically through the Domestic Electronic Bid Entry System (DEBES) website at <https://pcsd.usda.gov:3077/mdbcl000.exe?>. Offers submitted by any means other than DEBES will be considered nonresponsive.

Bidders are cautioned to bid only quantities they can reasonably expect to produce and deliver in accordance with the contract. **Note that purchases of 5-pound cartons are set aside for small business concerns only.** Shipping instructions will indicate quantity to be delivered to each point.

Inquiries about Announcement PY-308, Appendix-1, the Commodity Specification for Whole Eggs dated May 2005, or this Invitation should be directed to the Contracting Officer; USDA/AMS/Poultry Programs, Commodity Procurement Branch STOP 0260; 1400 Independence Ave., SW; Washington, D.C. 20250, telephone (202) 720-7693. An electronic version of this Invitation can be obtained through the world wide web via the Commodity Procurement Home Page at <http://www.ams.usda.gov/cp>.

PURCHASE AND OFFER TO BUY: WHOLE EGGS

DATE: December 20, 2006

The U.S. Department of Agriculture's Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) today purchased 776,000 pounds of whole eggs -- to be produced from about 19,000 cases of shell eggs -- at a cost of approximately \$331,000 for school lunch and other domestic food nutrition assistance programs. Details of today's purchase follow:

Product	Pounds	Awarded Prices	No. of Bids
		Inv. No. 12	Accepted
5-pound cartons	440,000	\$0.4717-\$0.5694	3 of 4
bulk tankers	336,000	\$0.3293-\$0.3333	1 of 3

Next offers under Announcement PY-308 are due by 12 noon, Central Time, on the following date:

Inv. Number	Product Type	Offer Date	Acceptance	Delivery Period
			Not Later Than Date	
13	5-pound cartons bulk tankers	Jan. 2 *TUESDAY*	Jan. 5	Feb. 16-28

Total purchases of whole eggs since the program was announced on June 22, 2006, follow:

Product	Cumulative	Cumulative
	Pounds	Dollars
5-pound cartons	5,883,000	\$2,863,000
bulk tankers	10,224,000	\$3,200,000
30-pound containers	158,000	\$ 81,000

The awards for whole eggs made today under Announcement PY-308 Invitation 12, to be delivered from Feb. 1 to Feb. 15, 2007 follow:

5-pound Cartons

American Egg Products, Inc.	320,160 @ \$0.4717-0.4938
Deb-El Foods Corp.	40,020 @ \$0.4879
Sonstegard Foods Company	80,040 @ \$0.5597-0.5694

Bulk Tankers

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